

The Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

Too much is happening in the world today for taxes pertaining to communication of any kind to be increasing. Gas prices are reaching all time highs, people are getting paid less for jobs that require a lot of time and effort, and there is more travel and movement involved in everyday lives. The cell phone services may be abused slightly by some people, but not by everyone, and even so, those same people are entitled to be allowed to communicate with whomever they need without having to sacrifice gas for their vehicle or food on the table! Cellular communication may not have once been a need, but it is now. DO NOT abuse that.

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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